

CITY OF VERONA

MINUTES

PARK, RECREATION & FORESTRY COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2016

1. The meeting was called to order by chairperson Jon Turke at 7:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Present: Jon Turke, Mark Giesfeldt, Heather Reekie, Paul Schmidt, Brad Stiner. Also present: Dave Walker, Parks Director; Casey Dudley, Recreation Director.
3. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Giesfeldt, to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2016 meeting of the Park, Recreation, and Forestry Commission. Motion carried 5-0.
4. The Commission considered a request to add pickleball striping to one or more tennis courts in the City. The game is very similar to tennis but uses a smaller court, solid paddles, and a hard rubber ball like lacrosse. Pickleball has become very popular among older adults because it is fast paced but easier to play and less strenuous than tennis. Dave Walker reported that Midwest sealcoat could stripe a faded yellow court onto an existing tennis court for about \$400. The Commission felt this was a very reasonable expense and could do several courts at that price.
5. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Turke, to stripe pickleball courts at the Tollesfon, Veterans, and Harriet Park tennis courts. Motion carried 5-0.
6. The Commission considered four proposals for the replacement of the play structure at Westridge Park. The existing structure was nearly 20 years old and the 2016 budget included \$35,000 for a replacement structure. All four proposals were priced at \$32,000 including installation. The additional funds would be used for removal of the existing structure and replacement surfacing.
7. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Giesfeldt, to approve playground proposal RH-5 as submitted by Commercial Recreation Specialists for the replacement of the existing structure at Westridge Park. Motion carried 5-0.
8. Moved by Reekie, seconded by Schmidt, to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Time 8:20 p.m.

Jon Turke
Chairperson